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In re Patent Application of:

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For: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR MANAGING

CONTACT INFORMATION

Examiner: Y. Dalencourt

REQUEST TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.181

MS Petitions Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

A non-final Office Action was mailed in the above-referenced application on December 17, 2004. On June 17, 2005, Applicant filed a timely response with a petition for a three-month extension of time. A copy of the Amendment in Response to Non-Final Office Action and the stamped postcard confirming receipt of the response in the USPTO are enclosed.

On June 20, 2005, Examiner Dalencourt contacted Mr. Wolfgang Stutius (Applicant's representative) by phone to inquire about the status of the application. As a courtesy to the examiner, Mr. Stutius returned the examiner's phone call on the same day and informed the examiner that he was not aware if a response had been filed. However, Mr. Stutius made it clear that Applicant had no intention to abandon the application and that the examiner would, of course, be entitled to send a Notice of Abandonment if a response was not received in the USPTO.

On June 24, 2005, the Office mailed a Notice of Abandonment.

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On June 28, 2005, Applicant's agent contacted Examiner Dalencourt by phone and pointed out that the statutory period for filing a response is 6 months after the mailing date of the Office Action, i.e., June 17, 2005, and that the Notice of Abandonment was in error and should therefore be withdrawn.

Since a timely response was filed, Applicant requests that the Notice be withdrawn.

It is not believed that fees are required for this Request. However, if there are any other fees due in connection with the filing of this Request, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 18-1945, referencing the attorney docket number listed above.

Dated: June 29, 2005

Respectfully submitted,

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